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Docket No. 3940/3928A  
Examiner: H. Tran  
Art Unit: 1764

Assistant Commissioner for Patents  
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Washington, DC 20231

CONTINUED PROSECUTION APPLICATION (CPA) (37 CFR 1.53(d))

- I. This is a request for a filing under the continued prosecution application procedure, 37 CFR 1.53(d), for a continuation of:

Application Serial No. 08/997,774 filed December 24, 1997.

Title: CATALYTIC CONVERTER SYSTEM FOR INTERNAL COMBUSTION ENGINE POWERED VEHICLES

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II. Inventorship statement:

- This application discloses and claims only subject matter disclosed in the prior application whose particulars are set out above and the inventors in this application are the same.
- The inventorship for all the claims in this application are the same.

CERTIFICATE OF MAILING (37 CFR 1.10)

I hereby certify that this CPA transmittal and the documents referred to as attached therein are being deposited with the U. S. Postal Service on the date shown below in an envelope as Express Mail No. EL108347482US addressed to: Assistant Commissioner for Patents, Box CPA, Washington, DC 20231.

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**III. Amendment**

- Enter the unentered amendment previously filed on October 27, 2000 under 37 CFR 1.116 in the prior nonprovisional application.
- A preliminary amendment is enclosed.

**IV. Declaration or oath**

This is a continuation application and a declaration or oath is not required.

**V. Fees**

The fees to be charged are to be based on the number of claims remaining as filed after the amendment.

**VI. Fee Calculation**

<b>BASIC FEE</b>						\$710.00
<b>Claims</b>	<b>After Amendment</b>		<b>Extra</b>			
	Total	31	-20	= 11	x \$18.00	198.00
Independent	1	-3	= 0	x \$80.00	0	
Multiple Dependents				\$ 270.00	270.00	
<b>Total Charge</b>					<b>\$1,178.00</b>	

**VII. Fee payment**

Please charge account No. 05-1070 in the amount of \$1,178.00.  
A duplicate of this request is attached.

**VIII. Authorization to Charge Additional Fees**

The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any additional fees which may be required by this paper to Account No. 05-1070.

Please credit Account No. 05-1070 for any overpayment.

**IX. Assignment**

The prior application is assigned of record to Engelhard Corporation.



**X. Power of Attorney**

The power of attorney in the prior application is to:

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a) The power appears in the original papers in the parent application.

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**XI. In accordance with 37 CFR § 1.53(d)(iv) Applicants hereby request that this application utilize the file jacket and contents of the prior application (Serial No. 08/997,774 filed 12/24/97) including the specification, drawings and declaration from the prior application, to constitute this new application.**

**XII. Abandonment of Prior Application**

Please expressly abandon the prior application, Serial No. 08/997,774, at a time while the prior application is pending and when this application is granted a filing date so as to make this application copending with said prior application.

Respectfully submitted,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Richard A. Negin".

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